

Robin Hoods GARLAND.



Containing his merry Exploits, and the several
Fights which he, *Little John*, and *Will.
Scarlet* had, upon several occasions.
Some of them never before Printed.

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Robin Hoods Garland.

*Robin Hoods Progress to Nottingham, where he
slew fifteen Forresters.*

To the Tune of bold Robin Hood.

RObin Hood he was and a tall young man
Derry derry down,
And fifteen Winters old,
And Robin Hood he was a proper young man
Of courage stout and bold,
Hey down derry derry down.

Robin Hood he would and to fair Nottingham
derry derry down.

With the General for to dine,
There was he ware of fifteen Forresters,
And a drinking Beer, Ale and Wine,
hey down, derry derry down.

What news, what news, said bold Robin
derry derry down, (Hood

What news said wouldst thou know?

Our King hath provided a shooting match,
And I'm ready with my Bow,
hey down, derry derry down.

We hold it in scorn, then said the Forresters
derry derry down,

Robin Hoods Garland.

That eber a Boy so young
Should bear a Bow befoze our King,
That's not able to draw one String,
hey down, derry, &c.

I'le hold you twenty marks, said bold
derry derry down, (Robin Hood,
By the leave of our Lady,
That I'le hit a mark a hundred Rod,
And ile cause a Hart to dye,
hey down, &c.

We'l hold you 20 mark, then said the For-
derry derry down, (resters
By the leave of our Lady,
Thou hit'st not the mark a hundred Rod,
Nor causett a Hart to dye,
hey down, &c.

Robin Hood he bent up a noble Bow,
derry derry down, &c.
And a broad Arrow he let flye,
he hit the mark an hundred Rod,
And he caused a Hart to dye,
hey down, &c.

Some said he brake Ribs one or two,
derry derry down,
And some said he brake threë ;
The arrow within the Hart would not abide,
But it glanced in two or threë :
hey down, &c. The

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The Hart did skip, and the Hart did leap,
derry derry down,

And the Hart lay on the ground :

The wager is mine, said bold Robin Hood,
If t'were for a thousand pound,
hey down, &c.

The wager's none of thine, then said the For-
derry derry down, (resters,

Although thou best in haste,

Take up thy Bow and get thee hence,

Lest we thy sides do chafe :

hey down, &c.

Robin Hood he took up his noble Bow,
derry derry down,

And his broad arrows all amain,

And Robin Hood he laugh and began to smile

As he went over the Plain :

hey down, &c.

Then Robin Hood he bent his noble bow,
derry derry down,

And his broad arrows he let flye,

Till fourteen of the fifteen forresters

Upon the ground did lye :

hey down, &c.

He that did this quarrel first begin,
derry deery down,

Went tripping over the Plain ;

Robin Hoods Garland.

But Robin Hood he bent his noble Bow,
And he fetcht him back again .

hey down, &c.

You said I was no Archer, said Robin Hood
derry derry down,

But say you so now again :

With that he another Arrow let fly,

That split his head in twain :

hey down, &c.

You have found me an Archer, saith Robin
derry derry down,

(Hood,

Which will make your Wives for to wezing

And wish that you had never spoke the word,

That I could not draw one string :

hey down, &c.

The people that lived in fair Nottingham,
derry derry down,

Came running out amain,

Supposing to have taken bold Robin Hood,

With the forresters that were slain.

hey down, &c.

Some lost Leggs, and some lost Arms,
derry derry down, &c.

And some did lose their blood ;

But Robin Hood he took up his noble Bow,

And is gone to the merry green Wood :

hey down, &c.

They

Robin Hood's Garland.

They carried these forresters to fair Nor-
derry derry down, (tingham
As many as there did know :
The dig'd them graves in their Church-
And they buried them all a row. (yard
hey down, derry derry down.

Robin Hood newly revived ;
Or, His meeting and fighting with his Cou-
sin *Scarlet.*

To a delightful new tune.

Come listen a while yon Gentlemen all
with a hey down, down, a down down,
That are in this Bower within :
for a story of gallant Robin Hood
I purpose now to begin.

What time of the day wd. Robin Hood then
with a hey, &c.

Quoth little John, 'tis in the prime,
why then we will to the green wood gang,
for we have no Wittals to dine.

As Robin Hood walkt the forrest along,
with a hey, &c.

It was in the mid of the day,
there was he ware of a best young man,
As eber walkt on the way.

His doublet it was of silk he said,
with a hey, &c.

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His stockings like scarlet shone,
and he walkt on along the way,
To Robin Hood then unknown,
I heard of Deer was in the Bend,
with a hey, &c.

All feeding before his face,
now the best of ye i'le have for my dinner,
And that in a little space.

Now the stranger made no mickle a do,
with a hey, &c.

But he bends and a right good bow,
and the best Buck in the heard he slew,
Forty yards him full fro.

Well shot, well shot, qd. Robin Hood then,
with a hey, &c.

That shot it was in time,
and if thou wilt accept of the place,
Thou shalt be a bold Peoman of mine.

Go play the Chiben the stranger said,
with a hey, &c.

Make hast and quickly go,
or with my fist be sure of this,
Ile give thee buffets store.

Thou hadst not best buffet me, qd. Rob. Hood
with a hey, &c.

For though I am forlorn,
yet I can have those that will take my part

Robin Hoods Garland.

If I but blow my horn.

Thou wast not best wind thy horn the stran-
with a hey, &c. (ger said

Best thou never so much in haste,
for I can draw out a good broad sword,
And quickly cut the blast.

Then Robin Hood he bent a very good bow,
with a hey, &c.

To shoot, and that he would fain,
the stranger he bent a very good bow
To shoot at bold Robin again.

O hold thy hand, hold thy hand, qu. Robin
with a hey, &c. (Hood

To shoot it would be in vain,
for if we should shoot the one at the other,
The one of us must be slain.

But let's take our swords and our broad
with a hey, &c. (bucklers,

And gang under yonder tree,
as I hope to be sav'd, the stranger he said,
One foot I will not flee.

Then Robin Hood lent the stranger a blow,
with a hey, &c.

Most scar'd him out of his wit,
thou never felt blow the stranger he said,
That shall be better quit.

The

Robin Hoods Garland.

The stranger he drew out a good broad sword
with a hey, &c.

And hit Robin on the Crown,
that from every hair of bold Robins head
The blood ran trickling down.

God a mercy good fellow qu. Robin Hood
with a hey, &c. (then,

And for this thou hast done,
tell me good fellow what thou art,
Tell me where thou dost toun.

The stranger then answered bold Robin
with a hey, &c. (Hood

Ile tell thee where I did dwell.
in Maxfield was I bred and bozn
My name is young Gamwell.

For killing of my fathers Steward,
with a hey, &c.

I am forc'd to this English Wood,
and for to seek an Uncle of mine
Some call him Robin Hood.

But art thou a Cousin of Robin Hoods then?
with a hey, &c.

The sooner we should have done,
as I hope to be sav'd, y stranger then said
I am his own Sisters Son.

But

Robin Hoods Garland.

But Lord what kissing and courting was
with a hey, &c. (there

When these two Cousins did græt,
and they went all that Summers day,
And little John did meet.

But when they met with little John,
with a hey, &c.

He there unto him did say,
O Master where have you been,
You have tarried so long away?

I met with a stranger yd. Robin Hood then
with a hey, &c.

Full soze he hath beaten me,
then Ile have a bout with him quoth little
And try if he can beat me. (John,

Oh no, oh no, quoth Robin Hood then,
with a hey, &c.

Little John it may not be so,
for he's my own dear Sisters Son
And cousins I have no mo.

But he shall be a bold Peoman of mine,
with a hey, &c.

My chief man next to thæ,
And I Robin Hood, and thou little John,
And Scarlet he shall be.

An

Robin Hood's Garland.

And we'll be three of the bravest out-laws,
with a hey, &c.

That is in the North Country,
if thou wilt have any more of bold Rob. Hood
In this second part it will be.

Then bold Robin Hood to the North he would
with a hey, &c. (go

With valour and mickle might, (try'd
with sword by his side, which oft had been
To fight and recover his right.

The first that he met was a bonny bold Scot
with a hey, &c.

His servant he said he would be,
no quoth Robin Hood, it cannot be good,
For thou wilt prove false unto me.

Thou hast not been true to Sire nor Cuz,
with a hey, &c.

Pay, marry the Scot he said,
as true as your heart, I'll never part,
Gude Master be not afraid.

Then Robin Hood turn'd his face to the East
with a hey,

Fight on my merry men shout,
our case is good, quod. brave Robin Hood,
And we shall not be beaten out.

The

Robin Hoods Garland.

The battel grows hot on every side,
with a hey, &c.

The Scotchman made great moan,
qd. Jockey gude faith they fight on each side
Would I were with my wife Jone.

The Enemy compass brave Robin about,
with a hey, &c.

'Tis long ere the battel ends,
theres neither will yeild, nor give up the
for both are supplied with friends. (field

This Song it was made in Robin Hoods
with a hey, &c. (days

Let's pray unto Jove above, (cease,
to give us true Peace, that Mischief may
and War may give place unto Love.

Robin Hood and the jolly Pinder of *Wakefield*
shewing how he fought with *Robin Hood*
Scarlet and *John*, a long Summers day.
To a Northern Tune.

I *Wakefield* there lives a jolly Pinder,
in *Wakefield* all on a Green,
in *Wakefield* all on a Green, (the Pinder
There is neither Knight, nor Squire said
nor Baron that is so bold,
nor Baron that is so bold,

Dare

Robin Hoods Garland.

Dare make a trespass to the Town of Wake
but his Pledge goes to the Pinfold, (field,
but his Pledge goes to the Pinfold.

All this heheard three witty young men,
'twas Robin Hood, Scarlet, and John, &c.

With that they spied the jolly Pinder,
as he sate under a Thorn, &c.

Now turn again, turn again, said the pinder
for a wrong way have you gone, &c.

For you have forsaken the king's high-way
and made a path over the Corn, &c.

O that were great shame, said solly Robin,
we being three, and thou but one, &c.

The Pinder leapt back then thirty good foot
'twas thirty good foot and one, &c.

He leaned his back fast unto a Thorn,
and his foot fast unto a stone, &c.

And there he fought a long Summers day,
and a Summers day so long, &c.

Til their Swords on their broad bucklers
were broaken fast unto their hands, &c.

Hold thy hand, hold thy hand, said Robin
and my merry men every one, &c. (Hood

For this is one of the best Pinders
that ever I tryed with Sword. &c.

And

Robin Hoods Garland.

**And wilt thou forsake thy Pinder his craft,
and live in green wood with me, &c.**

**At Michaelmas next my Cobeuants comes
when every man gathers his Fee, &c. (out**

**Ile take my blew Blade all in my hand,
and Plod to the green-wood with thee, &c.
Hast either meat oz drink, said Robin Hood
for my merry men and me, &c.**

**I have both breao and beef, said the Pinder
and good Ale of the best, &c.**

**And that's meat good enough, said Robin
for such unbidden Guest, &c. (Hood,**

**I wilt thou forsake the Pinder his craft,
and go to the green-wood with me, &c.**

**Thou shalt have a Libery twice in the year,
the one green, the other brown,
the one green, the other brown,**

**If Michaelmas day were once come & gone,
and my Master had paid me my Fee,**

and my Master had paid me my Fee,

Then would I set as little by him.

as my Master doth set by me,

as my Master doth set by me.

Robin

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Robin Hood and the Bishop,

Shewing how *Robin Hood* went to an old Wo-
mans house, and changed Cloaths with her
to scape from the Bishop, and how he rob-
bed the Bishop of all his Gold, and made
him sing a Mass.

To the tune of, *Robin Hood and the stranger.*

COME Gentlemen all, and listen a while
with a hey down, down an a down,
And a story Ile to you unfold;

Ile tell you how Robin Hood served the
When he robbed him of his Gold. (Bishop)

As it fell out on a Sun-shining day,
with a hey, &c.

When Phœbus was in his prime,
then Robin Hood, that Archer good,
In mirth would spend some time.

As he walked the Forrest a long,
with a hey, &c.

Some pastime for to spy,
there was he aware of a proud Bishop,
And all his company.

O what shall I do, said Robin Hood then?
with a hey, &c.

If the Bishop he doth take me,

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no mercy he'l show, unto me I know,
therefore away I will flee.

Then Robin was stout, & turn'd him about
with a hey, &c.

And a little house there he did spy,
And to an old wife, to save his life,
he loud began to cry.

Why who art thou, said the old woman;
with a hey &c,

Com tell it to me for good,

I am an Out-Law, as many do know
My name it is Robin Hood.

And yonder's the Bishop and all his men,
with a hey, &c.

And if that I taken be.

Then day and night he'l work me spight,
and hanged I shall be.

If thou be Robin Hood, said the old wife,
with a hey, &c.

As thou dost seem to be,

He for thee provid, and thee I will hide
from they Bishop and his company.

If
or I well remember on Saturday night
with a hey, &c.

B

Thou

Robin Hood's Garland.

Thou bought me both shoes and hose,
Therefore ile provide, thy person to hide,
and keep thee from thy foes.

Then give me soon thy Coat of Gray,
with a hey, &c.
And take thou my Mantle of Green,
Thy Spindle and Twine, unto me resign,
and take thou my Arrows so keen.

And when that Robin Hood was so arraid,
with a hey, &c.
He went straight to his company,
With his Spindle and Twine, he oft lookt
for the Bishop and his company. (behind

O who is yonder, quoth little John,
with a hey, &c.
That now comes over the Lee,
In Arrow I, will at her let flie,
so like an old witch looks she.

O hold thy hand, hold thy hand, said Robin
with a hey, &c. (then
And shoot not thy Arrows so keen,
I am Robin Hood, thy Master good
and quickly it shall be seen.

(house,
The Bishop he came to the old Womans
with a hey, &c. And

Robin Hood's Garland.

And he called with furious mood,
Come let me soon see, and bring unto me
that Traytoꝝ Robin Hood.

The old woman he set on a milk white steed
with a hey, &c.

Himself on a Dapple Gray,
And for joy he had got Robin Hood
he went laughing all the way.

But as they were riding the Forrest long,
with a hey, &c.

The Bishop he chanced for to see
A hundred brave Bow-men bold,
stand under the Green-wood-tree.

O who is yonder, the Bishop he said,
with a hey, &c.

That's ranging within yonder wood?
Harry saies the old woman, I think it to be
a Man called Robin Hood.

Why who art thou the Bishop he said?
with a hey, &c.

Which I have here with me,
Why I am an old Woman, thou Tuckoldy
lift up my leg, and see. (Bishop

Then two to me, the Bishop he said,
with a hey, &c.

That ever I saw this day

Robin Hoods' Garland.

He turn'd him about, but Robin Hood so
cal'd him and bid him stay. (Hout

Then Robin took hold of the Bishops horse,
with a hey, &c.

And ty'd him fast to a tree,

Then little John smil'd his Master upon,
for joy of that company.

Robin Hood took his mantle from's back,
with a hey, &c.

And spread it upon the ground,

And out of the Bishops Porrmantle he
soon told five hundred pound.

So now let him go, said Robin Hood,
with a hey, &c.

Said little John that may not be :

For I vow and protest, he shall sing us a
before that he go from me. (Mass,

Then Robin Hood took the Bishop by the
with a hey, &c. (hand

And bound him fast to a tree,

And made him sing a Mass God-wot
to him and his Peomander.

And then they brought him through y wood,
with a hey, &c.

And

Robin Hood's Garland.

And set him on his dapple Gray,
And gave the tail within his hand,
and bid him for Robin Hood pray,

Robin Hood and the Butcher;
Shewing how he robbed the Sheriff of Not-
tingham.

To the tune of, *Robin Hood and the Begger.*

Come all you brave Gallants and listen
with hey, &c. (a wile
that are in the Bowers within,
For of Robin Hood that archer good,
a long I intend for to sing.

Upon a time it chanced so,
with a hey, &c.
bold Robin in Forrest did spy,
A jolly Butcher, with a bonny fine Mare,
with his flesh to the Market did hye.

God morrow good fellow, said jolly Robin
with a hey, &c.
what food hast, tell unto me, (dwell,
And thy trad to me tell, and where thou dost
for I like well thy company.

The Butcher he answerd jolly Robin,
with hey, &c.

Robin Hood's Garland.

no matter where I dwell:
For a Butcher I am, and to Nottingham
I am going my flesh to sell.

What is the price of thy flesh said jolly Robin
with a hey, &c.

come tell it soon unto me,
And the price of thy Mare, be she never so
for a Butcher fain would I be. (deare

The price of my flesh, the Butcher reply'd
with a hey &c.

I soon will tell unto thee,
With my bonny Mare, & they are not dear,
four Mark thou must give unto me.

Four Mark I will give thee, saith jolly Ro-
with a hey, &c. (bin,

four mark it shall be thy fee,
Thy money come count, and let me mount,
for a Butcher I fain would be.

Now Robin he is to Nottingham gone,
with a hey &c.

his Butchers trade for to begin,
With good intent, to the Sheriff he went,
and there he took up his Inn.

(meat,
When other Butchers they opened their
with

Robin Hoods Garland.

with a hey. &c.

bold Robin he then begun
But how for to sell he knew not well
for a Butcher he was but yong.

When other Butchers no meat could sell,
with a hey, &c

Robin got both Gold and fee,
for he sold more meat for one penny,
then others could do for three.

But when he sold his meat so fast,
with a hey, &c.

no Butcher by him could thrive,
for he sold more meat for one penny
than others could do for five.

Which made the Butchers of Nottingham,
with a hey, &c.

to study as they did stand,
Saying surely he was some Woodcote,
that had sold his fathers Land.

The Butchers they stepped to jollie Robin
with a hey, &c.

acquainted with him for to be, (trade
Come brother one said, we be all of one
come will you go dine with me.

Robin Hoods Garland.

Accurst of his heart, said jolly Robin
with a hey, &c.

that a Butcher doth deny,
I will go with you, my brethren true,
and as fast as I can hye.

But when to the Sheriffs house they came,
with a hey, &c.

to dinner they bied a pace,
And Robin he, the man must be,
befoze them all to say Grace.

Pray God bless us all, said jolly Robin
with a hey, &c.

and our meat within this place,
A Cup of Sack so good, will nourish our
and so I do end my Grace. (blood)

Come fill us moze wine, said jolly Robin
with a hey, &c.

let us merry be while we stay,
For wine and good chæer, be it never so dear
I vow I the reckoning will pay.

Come brother be merry, said jolly Robin
with a hey, &c.

let us drink and never gibe oze:
For the shot I will pay, ere I go my way,
if it costs me five pounds and moze.

This

Robin Hoods Garland.

This is a mad blade, the Butchers then
with a hey, &c, (said,
saies the Sheriff he is some Prodigal,
That some Land hath sold for silver & gold,
and now he doth mean to spend all.

ne, Hast thou any horn beasts, the Sheriff re=
with a hey, &c. (pli'd
good fellow to sell unto me;
Yes that I have good Master Sheriff,
I have hundreds two or three.

And a hundred aker of good free Land,
with a hey, &c
if you it please to see,

And ile make as good assurance of it,
as ever my father did me.

The Sheriff he saddled a good palfrey,
with a hey, &c-

with three hundred pound in gold,
And away he went with bold Robin Hood
his horned beasts to behold,

Away then the Sheriff and Robin did ride,
with a hey, &c.

to the forrist of merry Sherwood, (day
Then the Sheriff did say, God bless us this
from a man they call Robin Hood.

But

Robin Hoods Garland.

But when that a little further they came,
with a hey, &c.

bold Robin he changed to spy,

I hundred head of good Deer
come tripping the Sheriff full nigh.

How like you my horn'd beasts good Master
with a hey, &c. (Sheriff)

they be fat and fair for to see,

I tell thee good fellow I would I were gone,
for I like not thy company.

Then Robin he set his horn to his mouth,
with a hey, &c.

and blew but blasts three,

Then quickly anon, there came little John,
and all his company.

What is your will, then said little John
with a hey, &c.

good master pray tell it to me,

I have brought hither the Sheriff of North-
this day to dine with thee. (Ctingham)

He is welcome to me, then said little John,
with a hey, &c.

I hope he will honestly pay,

I know he has Gold, if it be but well told
will serve us to drink a whole day.

Then

R bin Hoods Garland.

me, Then Robin took his mantle from his back,
with a hey, &c.
and laid it upon the ground,
And out of the Sheriffs Portmantle,
he told thræ hundred pound

Then Robin he brought him thorow the
with a hey &c. (wood
And set him on his dapple Gray,
O habe me commended to your wife at
so Robin want laughing a way. (home

Robin Hood his rescuing will Stutly from
the Sheriff and his men, who had taken
him Prisoner, and were going to hang him,
To the tune of *Robin Hood and Queen*
Katharine,

V.Vhen Robi Hood in th' græn wood
derry derry down, (lib'd
Under the græn wood Træ,
Tidings there came to him with speed
Tiding for certainly,
Hey down derry down.

That Will Stutly surprized was,
derry derry down,
And eke in prison lay,
Thré Warlets that the Sheriff had hired.
Did

Robin Hoods Garland.

Did likely him betray,

I and to morow hanged must be,
derry derry down,

To morow as soon it it is day,
But before they could this victory get
Two of thm did Scutly stay.

When Robin Hood he heard this news
derry derry down.

Lord he was grieved sore,
I and unto his merry men said,
(Who altogether swore.)

That Will Scutly should rescued be,
derry derry down,
And be brought safe again,
or else should many a gallant wight
For his sake there be slain.

He cloathed himself in Scarlet then,
derry derry down,
His men were all in green,
I fairer show throughout the world,
In no place could be seen.

Good Lord it was a gallant sight,
derry derry down.
To see them all on a row,

Robin Hoods Garland.

With every man a good broad sword,
And eke a good Pew bow.

Forth of the green wood are they gone,
derry derry down,
Pea all courageously,
Resolving to bring Scutly home,
Or every man to die.

And when they came the Castle nêr,
derry derry down,
Whereas Will Scutly lay;
I hold it good, saith Robin Hood
To be here in ambush stay.

And send one forth some news to hear
derry derry down,
To yonder Palmer fair
That stands under the Castle wall,
Some news he may declare.

With that stepts forth a brave young man
derry derry down,
Which was of courage bold,
Thus he did say to the old man
I pray the Palmer old.

Tell me if that thou rightly ken,
derry derry down:

When

Robin Hood's Garland.

When must Will Scutly die ?
Who is one of bold Robins men,
And here doth prisoner lie.

Alas, alas, the Palmer said,
derry derry down ;
And for ever too is me,
Will Scutly hanged must be this day
On yonder Gallows Tree.

I had his noble Master known
derry derry down,
He would some succour send ;
A few of his bold Peomander
Full soon would fetch him hence.

I that is true the young man said
derry derry down,
I that is true said he,
Or if they were near to this place
They soon would set him free.

But fare thou well thou good old man,
derry derry down,
Farewell, and thanks to thee :
If Scutly hanged be this day
Revenge'd his death will be.

He was no sooner from the Palmer gone,

derry

Robin Hood's Garland.

derry derry down.

But the Gates opened wide,
And out of the Castle Will Scutly came
Guarded on ebery side.

When he was forth of the Castle come,
derry derry down,
And saw no help was nigh,
Thus he did say unto the Sheriff,
Thus he said Gallantly.

Now seeing that I needs must die,
derry derry down,
Grant me one boon says he,
For my noble master here had Man
That yet was hang'd on the Tree.

Give me a sword all in my hand
derry derry down,
And let me be unbound:
And with thee and thy men ile fight,
Untill I lie dead on the ground.

But his desire he would not grant
derry derry down,
His wishes were in vain, (he
for the Sheriff had sworn he hanged should
And not by the sword be slain.

Robin Hoods Garland.

Do but unbind my hands he saies,
derry derry down!

I will no weapons craue,
And if I hanged be this day,
Damnation let me haue.

O no, O no, the Sheriff he said,
derry derry down,

Thou shalt on the Gallows die:
I and so shall thy Master too,
If euer in me it lie.

O dastard Coward Stutly cries,
derry derry down,

Thou faint-hearted Peasant slave,
If euer my Master do thee meet,
Thou shalt thy payment haue.

My noble Master thee dost scorn
derry derry down:

And all thy Cowardly crew,
Such silly Imps unable are
Bold Robin to subdue.

But when he was to the Gallows come,
derry derry down;

And ready to bid adieu;
Out of a bush leaps little John,
And steps Will Stutly too.

Robin Hoods Garland:

I pray thee Will before thou die,
derry derry down,
Of thy dear friends take leave,
I needs must borrow him a while,
How say you Master Sheriff?

Now as I live the Sheriff he said,
derry derry down,
That Warlet will I know,
Some sturdy rebel is that same,
Therefore let him not go.

With that little John so hastily,
derry derry down:
Away cut Sturli's bands,
And from one of the Sheriff his men
I sword twicht from his hands.

Here Will; here take thou this same
derry derry down,
Thou canst it better sway,
And here defend thy self a while,
For aid will come straight way.

And there they turn'd them back to back,
derry derry down,
In the middle of them that day,
Till Robin Hood approach'd near
With many an Archer gay.

Robin Hoods Garland.

With that an arrow by them flew,
derry derry down ,
I wist from Robin Hood,
Make hast, make hast, the Sheriff he said
Make hast, for it is good.

The Sheriff is gone, his doubtless men
derry derry down ,
Thought it no boot to stay :
But as their Master had them taught,
They run full fast away.

O stay, O stay, Will Stutely, said,
derry derry down
Take leave ere you depart,
You nere will catch bold Robin Hood
Unless you dare him meet.

O ill betide you quoth Robin Hood,
derry derry down
That you so soon are gone,
My sword may in the Scabbord rest,
For here our work is done.

I little thought when I came here
derry derry down ,
When I came here to this place,
For to have met with little John
O, seen my Masters face.

Thus

Robin Hoods Garland.

Thus Statly was at liberty set,
derry derry down,
And safe brought from his foe:
O thanks, O thanks to my Master
Since here it was not so.

And once again my fellows,
derry derry down,
We shall in the green Woods meet,
Where we will make our Bow-strings
Musick for us most sweet. (twang)
hey down derry derry down.

Robin Hood and the Begger :

Shewing how *Robin Hood* and the Begger
fought : and how he changed Cloaths with
the Beggar, and how he went a begging to
Notingham : and how he saved three Bre-
thren from being hang'd for stealing of
deer.

To the tune of, *Robin Hood* and the Stranger,

Come light & listen you Gentlemen all,
hey down down and a down,
That mirth do love for to hear,
and a story true, He tell unto you,
If that you will but draw near.

In elder times when merriment was,
with a hey, &c.

Robin Hoods Garland.

And Archery was holden good,
there was an Out-law, as many did know
Which men called Robin Hood.

Upon a time it chanced so,
with a hey, &c.

Bold Robin was merry dispos'd :
his time to spend, he did intend
Either with friends or foes.

Then he got up on a gallant brave Steed,
with a hey, &c.

The which was worth Angels ten,
with a Mantle of green, most brave to be
He left all his merry men. (then,

And riding towards fair Nottingham,
derry derry down,

Some pastime for to spy,

There was he aware of a jolly Begger
As ere he beheld with his eye.

An old patcht coat the Begger had on,
with a hey, &c.

Which he daily did use for to wear,
and many a bag about him did wag,
Which made Robin Hood to him repair.

(then,
God-speed, God-speed, said, Robin Hood
with a hey, &c. What

Robin Hoods Garland

What Countrey-man, tell unto me,
I am Yorkshier sir, but ere you go far
Some Charity gibe unto me.

Why what wouldst thou have, said Robin
with a hey, &c. (Hood
I pray thee tell unto me,
no lands noz libing, the Begger he said
But a penny for charity.

I have no money, said Robin Hood then,
with a hey, &c.
But a Ranger within the wood,
I am an Out-law as many do know
My name it is Robin Hood.

But yet I must tell thee bonny Begger,
with a hey, &c.
That a bout with thee I must try,
thy coat of gray lay down I say,
And my Mantle of green shall lie by,

Content, content, the Begger he cry'd,
with a hey, &c,
Thy part it will be the worse,
for I hope this bout to give thee the rout,
And then have at thy Purse.

The begger he had a mickle long staff,
C 3 with

Robin Hoods Garland.

with a hey &c.

And Robin had a nut-brown sword,
So the Begger drew nigh, and at Robin let
But gave him never a word. (flg

Fight on, fight on, said Robin Hood then
with a hey, &c.

This Game well pleaseth me,
For every blow that Robin did give,
The begger gave Buffets three.

And fighting there full hard and sore,
with a hey, &c.

Not far from Nottingham Town,
they never fled, till from Robins head
The blood came trickling down.

Hold thy hand, said Robin Hood then
with a hey, &c.

And thou and I will agree:
if that be true the Begger he said,
Thy Mantle come give unto me.

Now, a change a change cry'd Robin Hood
with a hey, &c.

Thy bags and Coat give me.

this Mantle of mine, i'le to thee re-
se and my bravery,

(fine
When

Robin Hoods Garland.

When Robin had got the Beggars eloaths
with a hey, &c.

He looked round about,
methinks, said he I seem to be
A Begger brave and stout.

For now I have a bag for my Bread,
with a hey, &c.

So have I another for Corn,
I have one for Salt, and another for Malt
And one, for my little Horn.

And now I will a begging go.
with a hey, &c.

Some charity for to find,
And if any more of Robin you'l know.
In this second, part its known.

Now Robin he is to Nottingham bound,
with a hey, &c.

With his bags hanging down to his knee,
his staff and his coat, scarce worth a goat
Yet merrily passed he.

As Robin he passed the streets along,
with a hey, &c.

He heard a pitiful cry,
three Brethren dear, as he did hear,
Condemned were for to die,

Robin Hoods Garland

Then Robiu he hied to the Sheriffs house,
with a hey, &c.

Some relief for to seek,
he skipt and leapt, and capored full high,
As he went along the street.

But when to the Sheriffs doo he came,
with a hey, &c.

There a Gentleman fine and brave,
thou begger said he, come tell unto me,
What is it that thou wouldst have?

No meat nor drink said Robin Hood then,
with a hey, &c.

That I come here to crave,
but to beg the lives of Promen thre,
And that I fain would have,

That cannot be thou bold begger,
with a hey, &c.

Their fact it is so clear,
I tell to thee, they hanged must be,
For stealing of our Kings Deer.

But when to the Gallows they did come,
with a hey, &c.

There was many a weeping eye,
O hold your peace, said Robin then,
For certainly they shall not die.

Then

Robin Hoods Garland.

Then Robin he set his Horn to his mounth,
with a hey, &c.

And blew but blasse thæ,
till a hundzed bold Archers brave
Came kneeling down to his knæ.

What is your will Master? they said,
with a hey, &c.

We are here at your command,
Shoot East, shoot West, said Robin then
And looke that you spare no man.

Then they shot East, and they shot West,
with a hey, &c.

Their Arrows were so keen,
the Sheriff he, and his company,
No longer must be seen.

Then he stept to these brethren thæ,
with a hey, &c.

And away he them had tane,
but the Sheriff was crost and many a man
That dead lay on the plain, (lost,

And away they went into the merry græn-
with a hey, &c. wood

And sung with a merry glæ,
and Robin took these brethren good,
To be of his Peomandæ.

Re

Robin Hood's Garland.

Renowned *Robin Hood*: Or,
His famous Archery truly related : with the
worthy exploits he acted before *Queen Katherine*, he being an Out-law man, and how
she for the same obtained of the King, his
own and his fellows pardon.

To a new Tune.

Gold tane from the Kings Harbengers
down a down a down.
As seldome hath been seen,
down a down a down:
And carried by bold *Robin Hood*
for a present to the *Queen*.
down a down a down.

If that I live a yeare to an end,
thus gan *Queen Katherine* say,
Bold *Robin Hood* I will be thy friend,
and all thy *Peomen* gay.

The *Queen* is to her Chamber gone
as fast as she can wen,
She calls unto her lovely Page,
his name was *Richard Patrington*.

Come hither to me thou lovely Page,,
come thou hither to me:

Robin Hoods Garland.

for thou must rest to Nottingham
as fast as thou canst dree.

And as thou goest to Nottingham,
search all those English Wood,
Enquire of one good Peoman or another,
that can tell thee of Robin Hood.

Sometimes he went, sometimes he ran
as fast as he could win.
And when he came to Nottingham,
there he took up his Inn.

And when he came to Nottingham,
and had took up his Inn
he calls for a pottle of Rhenish Wine
and drank a health to his Dnæn.

There sat a Peoman by his side,
tell me sweet Page said he,
What is thy business, or the cause,
so far in the North Country;

This is my business, and the cause,
sir, I tell it you for good,
To inquire of one good Peoman or another,
to tell me of Robin Hood,

Ile get my horse betime in the morn,

by

Robin Hoods Garland.

by it be bzeak of day,
And I will shew thee bold Robin Hood,
and all his Peomen gay.

When that he came at Robin Hoods place,
he fell down on his knæ:
Queen Katherine she doth græt you well,
she græts you well by me,

She bids you post to fair London Court,
not fearing any thing,
for there shall be a little sport
and she hath sent you her Ring.

Robin took his Mantle from his back,
it was of the Lincoln græn,
And sent it by this lovely Page
for a present to the Quæn.

In summer time when leaves grow græn,
it is a seemly sight to see,
How Robin Hood himself had drest
and all Peomandæe.

He cloathed his men in Lincoln græn,
and himself in Scarlet red,
Black hats, white feathers all alike,
now bold Robin Hood is rid,

And

Robin Hoods Garland.

And when he came at Londons Court,
he fell down on his knee,
Thou art welcom Locksly said the Queen,
and all thy good Peomen thre.

The King is into Finsbury field,
marching in battle ray,
And after follows bold Robin Hood
and all his Peomen gay.

Come hither Tepus said the King,
bow-bearer after me,
Come measure me out with this line
how long our mark shall be.

What is the wager said the Queen?
that must I now know here,
Thre hundred tun of Rhenish wine
thre hundred tun of Beer.

Thre hundred of the fattest Harts
that run on Dallon Lea,
Thats a Princely wager, said the King
that needs must I tell the.

With that bespake one Clifton then
full quickly and full soon, (Leig
Measure no mark for us most Sovereign
we'l shoot at Sun and Moon..

Full fiftien scoze your mark shall be,

ful

Robin Hood's Garland.

full fifteen score shall stand,
He lay my Bow, said Clifton then,
He cleave the Willow wand,

With that the Kings Archers led about
while it was three and none,
With that the Ladies began to shout,
Madam, your game is gone.

A boon, a boon, Queen Katherine cries
I crave on my bare knees,
Is there any Knight of your pryvy counsel
on Queen Katherines part will be?

Come hither to me sir Richard Lee,
thou art art a Knight full good,
For I do know by thy pedigree,
thou sprangst from Gowers blood.

(shire,
Come hither to me thou Bishop of Hereford
for a noble Priest was he,
By my silver Miter, said the Bishop then
He not bet one penny.

The King hath Archers of his own,
full ready and full light,
And these be strangers every one,
no man knows what they height.

What

Robin Hoods Garland.

What wilt thou bet said Robin Hood
thou seest our game the worse,
By my silver Witer, said the Bishop then
all the money within my purse.

What is in thy purse, said Robin Hood,
thzough it down on the ground,
fifteen score Nobles said the Bishop then
its nêr an hundred pound.

Robin Hood took his bag from his side
and thzew it down on the green :
William Scadlock went smiling away,
I know who this money must win.

With that the Kings Archers led about,
while it was thzêe and thzêe,
With that the Ladies gave a shout,
Woodcock beware thy knêe.

It is thzêe, and thzêe, now said the King,
the next thzêe payes for all :
Robin Hood went & whispered to the Queen
the Kings part shall be but small.

Robin Hood he led about,
he shot it under-hand,
And Clifton with a bearing Arrow
he clabe the Willow wand.

Robin Hoods Garland.

And little Midge the Millers son,
he shot not much the worse,
He shot within a finger of the prick
now Bishop beware thy purse.

I boon, a boon, Quēn Katherine cries
I crave that on my bare knee,
That you will angry be with none,
that is of my party

They shall have forty daies to come,
and forty daies to go,
And thre times forty to sport and play
then welcome every one.

Then thou art welcome Robin Hood said the
and so is little Iohn, (Quēn,
So is Midge the Millers Son,
thrice welcome every one.

Is this Robin Hood the King now said?
for it was told to me,
That he was slain in the Pallace gate,
so far in the North Country.

Is this Robin Hood, quoth the Bishop then?
as I see well to be, (law
Had I known that had been that bold Out-
I would not bet one peny.

Robin Hoods Garland.

He took me late on Saturday at night ;
and bound me fast to a tree ,
And made me sing a Mass God wot ;
to him and his Peomen thre .

What and if I did , saies Robin Hood ?
of that Mass I was full fain ,
For recompense to thee he saies
here's half thy gold again .

Now nay , now nay , saies little John
down a down a down .
Master that shall not be ,
down a down a down ,
We must give gifts to the Kings Officers ,
that gold will serue thee and me ,
down a down a down .

*Robin Hood and the Tanner : Or ;
Robin Hood met with his match .*

A merry and pleasant Song, relating the gal-
lant and firc combate fought between *Ar-*
thur Bland a Tanner of *Nottingham* , and *Ro-*
bin Hood , the greatest and most noblest *Ar-*
cher of England .

The tune is, *Robin Hood and the stranger* ,

I In Nottingham there liues a jolly Tanner ;
with a hey down a down down down ,

Robin Hoods Garland.

His name is Arthur Bland,
There is nere a Squire in Nottinghamshire,
dare bid bold Arthur stand,

With a long Pike-staff upon his shoulder,
with a hey, &c.

So well he can clear his way,
By two and by thre, he makes them to fle,
for he hath list list to stay.

And as he went forth in a summers morning
with a hey, &c.

Into the merry Forrest of Sherwood,
To view the red Deer that range here and
there met he with bold Robin Hood. (there,

As soon as bold Robin did him espy,
with a hey, &c.

He thought some sport he would make,
Therefore out of hand he bid them to stand,
and thus to him he spake.

Why what art thou, thou bold fellow?
with a hey, &c.

That ranges so boldly here,
In sooth to be brief, thou look'st like a Thief,
that comes to steal our Kings Deer.

For I am a keeper in this Forrest,

with

Robin Hoods Garland

with a hey, &c.

The King he puts me in trust,
To look to his Deer that range here & there
therefore stay the I must.

If thou beest a Keeper in this Forrest,
with a hey, &c.

And hath such a great command,
Yet you must have more partakers in store,
before that you make me to stand.

May I have no more, partakers in store,
with a hey, &c.

Or any that I do need,
But I have a staff of another Oak graft,
I know it will do the deed.

For thy sword & thy bow, I care not a straw,
with a hey, &c.

Nor all thine Arrows to boot;
If I get a knop upon thy bare scop,
thou canst as well hit as shoot.

Speak cleanly good fellow said jolly Robin
with a hey, &c.

And give better terms to me,
Else ile thee correct for thy neglect,
and make thee more mannerly.

Robin Hoods Garland.

Harry gep with a wenion qd. Arthur Bland
with a hey, &c.

Art thou such a goodly man ?

I care not a fig for thy looking so big
mend thou thy self where thou can.

Then Robin Hood he unbuckled his belt,
with a hey, &c.

He laid down his bow so long,

He took up a staff of another Oak graft,
that was both stiff and strong.

I yield to thy weapon said jolly Robin,
with a hey, &c.

Since thou wilt not yield to mine,
for I have a staff of another Oak graft
not half a foot longer then thine.

But let me measure said jolly Robin,
with a hey, &c.

Before we begin our fray,

for i'le not have mine be longer then thine
for that will be called foul play.

I pass not for length bold Arthur reply'd,
with a hey, &c.

My staff is of Oak so free,

Eight foot and a half it will knock down
and I hope it will knock own thee.

Then

Robin Hoods Garland.

land Then Robin Hood could no longer forbear,
with a hey, &c.
He gave him such a knock
Quickly and soon, the blood ran down
before it was ten a clock.

Then Arthur he soon recovered himself,
with a hey, &c.
He gave him such a knock on the crown,
That every hair on Robins head,
the blood ran trickling down.

Then Robin Hood raged like a wild Boar,
with a hey, &c.
As soon as he saw his own blood,
Then Bland was in hast, he laid on so fast,
as though he had been cleaving wood.

And about, and about, and about they went,
with a hey, &c.
Like two wild Bores in a chase,
Striving to aim each other to maim,
leg, arm, or any other place.

And knock for knock they lustily deal,
with a hey, &c.
Which held for two hours and more,
That all the wood rang, at every bang,
they ply'd their work so fast,

Robin Hoods Garland.

Hold thy hand, hold thy hand, said Robin
with a hey, &c. (Hood,

And let our quarrel fall,
For here we may thresh our bones into meth
and get no coyn at all.

And in the Forest of merry Sherwood,
with a hey, &c.

Hereafter thou shalt be free,
Godamercy for nought, my freedom I bought
I may thank my good staff and not thee.

What tradesman art thou said jolly Robin
with a hey, &c.

Good fellow I pray thee me show,
And also me tell, in what place thou dost
for both these fain would I know. (dwell

I am a Tanner bold Arthur reply'd,
with a hey,

In Nottingham long have I wrought,
And if thou come there, I vow and do swear
I will tan thy hide for nought.

Godamercy good fellow, said jolly Robin
hey down, &c.

Since thou art so kind and free,
And if thou wilt tan my hide for nought,
I will do as much for thee.

But

Robin Hoods Garland.

But if thou wilt forsake thy Tanners trade
with a hey, &c.

And live in green wood with me, (wood,
My name's Robin Hood, I swear by the
I will give the both gold and fee.

If thou be Robin Hood, bold Arthur reply'd
with a hey down, &c.

As I think well thou art,
Then here's my hand, my name's Arthur
we two will never depart. (Bland

But tell me, O tell me, where is little John
with a hey, &c.

Of him fain would I hear,
For we be Allide, by the Mother side
and he is my kinsman near.

Then Robin Hood he blew on the Beagle
with a hey, &c. (Horn,

He blew both lowd and shrill,
But quickly and anon appeared ittle John,
come tripping down a green hill.

O what is the matter, then said little John
with a hey down, &c.

Master I pray you tell,
Why do you stand, with your staff in hand,
I fear all is not well.

Robin Hoods Garland.]

O man I do stand, and he makes me to stand
with a hey, &c.

The Tanner that stands me beside,
He is a bonny blade, and Master of his trade
for soundly he hath tan'd my hide.

He is to be commended, then said little John
with a hey, &c.

If such a feat he can do,
If he be so stout, we will have a bout,
and he shall tan my hide too,

Hold thy hand, hold thy hand, said Robin
with a hey, &c.

For as I do understand,
He's a Peoman good, and of thy blood,
for his name is Arthur a Bland.

Then little John threw his staff away,
with a hey, &c,

As far as he could it sling,
And ran out of hand, to Arthur a Bland,
and about his neck he did cling,

With loving respect, there was no neglect,
with a hey &c.

They were neither nice nor coy,
Each other did face, with a lovely grace,
they both did weep for joy.

Then

Robin Hood's Garland.

Then Robin Hood took him by the hand,
with a hey, &c.

And danc'd about the Oak-tree,
for three merry men, and three merry men,
and three merry men we be.

And we ever hereafter so long as we live,
with a hey, &c

We three will be all one,

The wood shall ring, and the old wife sing,
of Robin Hood, Arthur and John.

The famous battel between *Robin Hood* and the
Curtal Frier, neer *Fountain Dales*.
To a new Northern Tune.

In Summer time when leaves grow
and flowers are fresh and gay, (green,
Robin Hoods and his merry men
were disposed to play.

Then some would leap, and some would run,
and some would use Artillery,
Which of you can a good Bow draw,
a good Archer to be?

Which of you can kill a Buck?
or who can kill a Doe?
Or who can kill a Hart of Greece,

Robin Hoods Garland.

Five hundred foot him fro.

Wil. Scadlock he kill'd a Buck,
and Midge he kill'd a Doe,
And little John kil'd a Hart of Greece,
five hundzed foot him fro.

Gods blessing on thy heart, said Robin Hood
that such a shot for me,
I would ride my horse a hundzed miles,
to find one could match with thee.

That caus'd Wil. Scadlock to laugh,
he laughed full heartily,
There lives a curtal frier in Fountain Abby
will beat both him and thee.

That curtal fryer in Fountain Abby
well can a strong Bow draw,
He will beat you and your Peomen,
set them all on a row.

Robin Hood took a solemn Oath,
it was by Mary free,
That he would neither eat nor drink
till he the frier did see.

Robin Hood put on his Harness good,
and on his head a cap of Steel,

Broad

Robin Hood's Garland.

Broad sword and Buckler by his side
and they became him weell.

He took his Bow into his hand,
it was made of a trusty Tree,
With a sheaf of arrows at his belt,
to the Fountains Dale went he.

And coming unto Fountain Dale,
no further would he ride,
There was he aware of a curtal frier,
walking by the water side.

The frier had on a Harness good,
and on his head a cap of steel,
Broad sword and Buckler by his side,
and they became him weell.

Robin Hood lighted off his horse,
and tied him to a thorn;
Carry me over the water thou curtal frier,
or else thy life's forloren.

The frier took Robin Hood on his back,
deep water he did bestride,
And speak neither good word nor bad,
till he came at the other side.

(back

Lightly slept Robin Hood off the friers

the

Robin Hoods Garland.

the frier said to him again,
Carry me over this water, fine fellow
or it shall breed thy pain.

Robin Hood took the fryer on's back
deep water he did bestride,
And spake neither good word nor bad
till he came at the other side.

Lightly leapt the fryer off Robin Hoods
Robin Hood said to him again, (back,
Carry me over this water, thou Curtal
or it shall breed thy pain. (frier

The fryer took Robin Hood on's back a-
and stept up to the knee. (gain

Till he came at the middle stream,
neither good nor bad spake he,

And comming to the middle stream,
there he threwe Robin in :

And chuse thx, chuse the fine fellow
whether thou wilt sink or swim.

Robin Hood swam to a bush of Broom,
the frier to a wicker wand,
Bold Robin Hood is gone to shoze,
and took his Bow in hand.

Robin Hoods Garland:

One of his Best Arrows under his belt,
to the Frier he let flie :
The curtal Frier with his Steel Buckler
he put that Arrow by.

Shoot on, shoot on, thou fine fellow;
shoot on as thou hast begun,
If thou shoot here a Summers day,
the mark I will not shun

Robin Hood shot so passing well
till his Arrows all were gone,
They took their Swords & Steel Bucklers,
and fought with might and main.

From ten o' th' Clock that day
till four i' th' after noon,
Then Robin Hood came to knees
of frier to beg a boon.

A boon, a boon thou curtal Frier;
I beg it on my knee,
Give me leave to set my horn to my mouth
and to blow blasts thre.

That will I do, said the curtal Frier,
of thy blasts I have no doubt;
I hope thou'lt blow so passing well,
till both thy eyes fal out.

Robt

Robin Hoods Carland.

Robin Hood set his horn to his mouth,
he blew but blasts thre,
Half a hundred Peomen, with bows bent,
came ranking over the Lee.

Whose men are these said the Fryer
that come so hastily?
These are mine said Robin Hood,
Fryer what is that to thee?

A boon, a boon, said the curtal Fryer,
the like I gave to thee,
Give me leave to set my fist to my mouth,
and to whute whutes thre.

That will I do said Robin Hood,
or else I were to blame,
Thre whutes in a friers fist
would make me glad and faine.

The fryer he set his fist to his mouth
and whuted whutes thre,
Half a hundred good Band-dogs
came running the fryer unto.

Here's for every man a Dog,
and I my self for thee;
Nay by my faith quoth Robin Hood
Fryer that may not be,

Robin Hoods Garland.

Two Dogs at once to Robin Hood did go,
the one behind, the other befoze,
Robin Hoods Mantle of Lincoln græn,
off from his back they toze.

And whether his men shot East oz west,
oz they shot North oz South:
The curtal Dogs so taught they were,
they catcht their arrows in their mouth.

Take up thy Dogs said little John,
frier at my bidding be:
Whose man art thou, said the curtal frier,
comes here to prate to me?

I am little John, Robin Hoods man,
frier I will not lie,
If thou take not up thy Dogs soon,
Ile take up them and thee.

Little John had a Bow in his hand,
he shot with might and main,
Sown half a score of the Friers Dogs,
lay dead upon the Plain.

Hold thy hand, good fellow, said the curtal
thy Master and I will agzæ, (frier
And we will have new orders taken
with all the haste that may be.

Robin Hoods Garlnd.

If thou wilt forsake fair Fountains Dale,
and Fountains Abby free,
Every Sunday throughout the year,
a noble shall be thy fee.

And every Holly-day throughout the year
changed shall thy garments be,
If thou wilt go to fair Nottingham
and there remain with me.

This curtal frier had kept Fountains Dale,
seven long years or more,
There was neither Knight, Lord, nor Earl
could make him yield before:

The noble Fisher-man: Or,
Robin Hoods preferment. Shewing how he
won a prize on the Sea; and how he gave
one half to his Dame, and the other to the
building of Alms-houses.

The tane is, Summer time.

I In Summer time when leaves grow green
when they do grow both green and long,
Of a bold Out-law cal'd Robin Hood
it is of him I sing this song.

When the Lilly leaf and the Elephant,
doth bud and spring with a merry cheer:

The

Robin Hood's Garland.

This Out-law was weary of the Wood life
and chasing of the fallow Deer.

The fisher-men have more money have,
than any Merchant two or three,
Therefore I will to Scarbrough go,
that I a fisher-man have may be.

This Out-law call'd his merry men all,
as they sat under the green Wood tree,
If any of you have gold to spend,
I pray you heartily spend it with me.

Now quoth Robin, Ile to Scarbrough go;
it seems to be a very fair day,
Who took up his In at a widow womans
hard by upon the water gray. (house

Who asked of him, where wert thou born;
or tell to me where dost thou fare?
I am a poor fisher man said he then,
this day intrapped all in cares.

What is thy name thou fine fellow,
I pray thee heartily tell to me:
In mine own countrey where I was born,
men call me Simon over the Lee,

Simon, Simon, said the good wife,

Robin Hoods Garland

I wish thou mapest well to know thy name,
The Out-law was ware of her courtesie,
and rejoyc'd he had got such a Dame.

Simon, wilt thou be my man?
and good round wages Ile give thee,
I have as good a Ship of mine own,
as any sayls upon the sea.

Anchors and Planks thou shalt want none,
Masts and Ropes that are so long,
And if that thou thus furnish me,
said Simon, nothing shall go wrong.

They pluckt up Anchor, and away did sail
more of a day than two or three,
When others cast in their baited hooks,
the bare lines into the Sea cast he.

It will be long said the Master then,
ere this great lubber doth ride on the Sea,
Ile assure he shall have no part of our fish,
for in truth he is no part worthy.

O wo is me said simon then,
this day that ever I came here,
I wish I were in Plumton Park,
in chasing of the Fallow Deer.

Robin Hoods' Garland. ""

for every Clown laughs me to scorn,
and they by me set nothing at all,
If I had them in Plumton Park,
I would set as little by them all.

They pluckt up Anchor and away did sail
more of a day than two or three,
But Simon spied a ship of war,
that sailed towards them valourously,

O wo is me, said the Master then,
this day that ever I was born.
for all our fish that we have got,
is every bit lost and forlozn.

for yon French Robber on the Sea
they will not spare of us one man,
But carry us to the coast of France,
and lig n iun the prison strong.

But Simon said, do not fear them,
neither Master, take you any care;
Give me my bent bow in my hand,
& never a French-man will I spare.

Hold thy peace thou long Lubber,
for thou art naught but brags and boast,
If I should cast thee over board,
there's but a simple Lubber lost.

Robin Ho ds Garland.

Simon grew angry at these words ,
and so angry then was he ,
That he took his bent bow in his hand
and to the ship - hatch go doth he .

Master tie me to the Mast he said ,
that at my marke I may stand fair ,
And give me my bent bow in my hand
& never French-man will I spare .

He drew his Arrow to the very head ,
and drew it with all might and main
And straight way in the twinkling of an eye,
doth the French-mans heart the Arrow gain

The French man fell down on the ship hatch ,
and under the battres down below ,
Another French-man that him espied ,
the dead corps into the sea doth throw .

O Master, loose me from the mast he said ,
and for them all take you no care ,
And give me my bent bow in my hand ,
and never a French-man will I spare .

Then straight they boarded the French ship ,
they lying all dead in their sight ,
They found within the ship of War ,
twelve thousand pound in money bright .

The

Robin Hoods Garland.

The one half of the ship said Simon then,
ile gibe to my Dame and childzen small,
The other half of my ship ile gibe,
to you that are my fellows all.

But now bespake the Master then,
foz so Simon it shall not be,
foz you have won her with your own hands,
and the owner of you it must be,
It shall be so as I have said,
and with this gold foz the opprest,
An habitation I will build,
whre they shall live in peace and rest.

Robin Hood and the Shepheard :

Shewing how *Robin Hood*, little *John*, and
the Shepheard fought a fore Combate.

Tune is *Robin Hood* and *Queen Katherine*.

All Gentlemen and Peomen good,
down a down a down a down,
I wish you to draw nêr,
foz a stozy of gallant bold *Robin Hood*,
Unto you I will declare,
down, a &c.

As *Robin Hood* walkt the Forrest along,
down a, &c.

Some pastime foz to spy,
there was he aware of a jolly Shepheard,

Robin Hoods Garland.

That on the ground did lye,
down a, &c.

Arise, arise, cried jolly Robin,
down a, &c.

And now come let me see,

what is in thy bag and bottle, I say
Come tell it unto me.
down a, &c.

What's that to thee, thou proud fellow?
down a, &c.

Tell me as I do stand,
what thou hast to do with my bag & bottle?
Let me see thy Command :

My Sword that hangeth by my side,
down a, &c.

As my command I know,
come and let me tast of thy bottle,
Or it may breed thee wo,
down a, &c,

Tut the Devil a drop, thou proud fellow,
down a, &c

Of my Bottle thou shalt see,
untill thy valour here be tryed,
Whether thou wilt fight or flee :
down a, &c.

What

Robin Hoods Garland.

What shall we fight for, cries Robin Hood,
down a, &c.

Come tell it soon to me,
here is twenty pound in good red Gold,
Win it and take it thee.
down a, &c.

The Shepherd stood all in amaze.
down a, &c.

And knew not what to say,
I have no money thou proud fellow,
But bag and bottle i'le lay,
down a, &c.

I am content thou Shepherd Swain,
with a, &c.

fling them down on the ground,
but it will breed the mickle pain,
To win my twenty pound,
down a, &c.

Come draw thy Sword thou proud fellow,
down a, &c.

Thou standst to long too prate,
this Hook of mine shall let the know
A Coward I do hate.
down a, &c.

So they fell to it full hardy and soze,]

R bin Hood's Garland .

down, a down, a down, a down,
It was on a Summers day,
from ten till four in the after-noon
The Shepherd held him play,
down a, &c.

Robins Buckler probed his chiefest defence,
down a, &c.
And saved him many a bang,
for every blow the Shepherd gave,
Made Robins sword cry twang :
down a, &c.

Many a sturdy blow the Shepherd gave,
down a, &c.
And that bold Robin found,
till the blood ran tickling from his head,
Then he fell to the ground :
down a, &c.

Arise, arise thou proud fellow,
down a, &c.
And thou shalt have fair play,
if thou wilt yield before thou go,
That I have won the day.
down a, &c.

A boon, a boon, cried bold Robin,
down a, &c.

Robin Hoods Garland.

If that a man thou be,
then let me take my bugle-horn,
And blow but blasts three,
down a, &c.

Then said the Shepherd to bold Robin,
down a, &c.
for if thou shouldst blow till to morrow
I scorn one foot to fly : (morn,
down a, &c.

Then Robin he set his horn to his mouth,
down a, &c.
And he blew with mickle main,
until he espied little John
Come tripping over the Plain :
down a, &c.

O who is yonder thou proud fellow,
down a
That comes down yonder Hill ?
yonder is John, bold Robin Hoods man,
Shall fight with thee thy fill,
down a, &c.

What is the matter saies little John ?
shown a, &c.
Master come tel to me ;
my case is very bad, cries Robin Hood,
for the Shepherd hath conquered me :
down a, &c.

Robin Hoods Garland.

I am glad of that, cryes little John,
down a, &c.

Shepherd turn thou to me,
for a bout with thee I mean to have,
Either come fight or flye.
down a, &c.

With all my heart, thou proud fellow,
down a, &c.
For it shall never be said,
that a Shepherds hook, of thy sturdy look,
Will one jot be dismay'd.
with a, &c.

So they fell to it full hardy and soze,
with a, &c.
Striving for victory,
I will know (saies Iohn) ere we give ore,
Whether thou wilt fight or flye.
down a, &c.

The Shepherd gave Iohn a sturdy blow,
down, &c.
With his hook under the chin,
between thy heart, said little Iohn,
Thou basely dost begin :
down a, &c.

Pay that is nothing, said the Shepherd,
down a, &c. Either

Robin Hoods Garland.

Either yeld to me the day,
oz I will band the back and sides,
Befoze thou goest thy way :
down a, &c.

What dost thou think thou p:ond fellow,
down a, &c.

That thou canst conquer me ?
nay thou shalt know, befoze thou go;
Ile fight befoze ile fle,
down a, &c.

Again the Shepherd laid on him,
down a, &c.

The Shepherd he begun : !
Hold, hold, cried bold Robin Hood,
I will yeld the wager won,
down a, &c.

With all my hent, said little Iohn,
down a, &c.

To that I will agree,
foz he is the flower of Shepherd Swains,
the like I did never see :
down a, &c.

Thus have you heard of Robin Hood,
down a, &c.

Also of little Iohn,
how a Shepherd Swain did conquer them.
The like was never known.
down, a down, a down, a down.

Rob-

Robin Hoods Garland.

Robin Hoods Golden Priests
Shewing how hee robbed two Priests of five
hundred pound

Tune is, *Robin Hood* was a tall young man,

I have heard talk of bold Robin Hood
derry derry down,
And of brave little John,
Of fryer Tuck and Will Scarlet,
Loxly, and Maid Marion,
hey down, derry derry down,

But such a tale as this befoze,
derry derry down,
I think there was never none,
For Robin Hood disguised himself,
and to the wood he is gone,
hey down, &c. ;

Like to a fryer bold Robin Hood,
derry derry down,
Was accoutered in his array,
With hood gown, beads, and crucifix,
he past upon the way,
hey down, &c.

He had not gone past miles two or three,
derry derry down,

But

Robin Hoods Garland

But it was his chance to spy
Two lusty Priests clad all in black,
come riding gallantly,
hey, down, &c.

Benedicite then said Robin Hood
derry derry down, -
Some pittie one mee take.
Cross you my hand with a silver goot
for our dear Ladies sake,
hey down, &c.

For I have been wandring all this day
derry derry down,
And nothing could I get,
Not so much as one poor cup of drinke,
nor bit of bread to eat,
hey down, &c.

Now by my holy dame the Priests reply'd
derry derry down,
We never a penny have,
For we this morning have been rob'd
and could no money save,
hey down, &c.

I am much afraid, said bold Robin Hood,
derry derry down,
That you both do tell a lie,

And

Robin Hood's Garland.

And now before that you go hence,
I am resolved to try,
hey down, &c.

When as the Priests heard him say so
derry derry down,
they rode away amain,
But Robin Hood betook him to his heels,
and soon over took them again,
hey down, &c.

Then Robin Hood laid holt of them both
derry derry down,
and pull'd them down from their horse,
O spare us fryer, the Priests cry'd out,
on us have some remorse,
hey down, &c.

You said you had no morny quoth he,
derry derry down,
wherefore without delay
We three will fall down on our knees
and for morny we will pray,
hey down, &c.

The Priests they could not him gain-say,
derry derry down,
but down they knel'd with speed,
Send us, O send us then quoth they;

some

Robin Hoods Garland.

some money to serve our need,
hey down, &c.

The Priests did pray with a mournful cheer
derry derry down,
sometimes their hands did twining,
Sometimes they wept, and cryed aloud,
whilest Robin did merrily sing
hey down, &c.

When they had been praying an hours space,
derry derry down.
the Priests did still lament,
Then quoth bold Robin, now let's see
what money heaven hath us sent,
hey down, &c.

We will be sharers all alike,
derry derry down,
of the money that we have;
And there is never a one of us
that his fellow shall deceive,
hey down, &c.

The Priests their hands in their pockets
derry derry down, (put,
but money would find none;
We'l search our selves, said Robin Hood,
each other one by one,
hey

Robin Hoods Garland.

hey down, &c

Then Robin Hood tooke pain to search them
derry derry down
And he found good store of gold,
Fife hundred pieces presently
upon the grasse wai told,
hey down, &c.

Here is a brave show said Robin Hood,
derry derry down,
Such store of gold to see,
And you each one shall have a part,
'cause you prayed so heartily,
hey down, &c.

He gave them fifty pounds a piece,
derry derry down,
And the rest for himself did keep,
The Priests durst not speak one word,
but they sighed wondrous deep.
hey down, &c.

With that the Priests rose up from their
derry derry down, (knees
Thinking to have parted so;
Pay stay, said Robin Hood one thing more
I have to say, ere you go,
hey down: &c.

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Robin Hood's Garland.

You shall be swozn said bold Robin Hood;
derry derry down,
Upon this holy grass,
That you will never tell lyes again,
which way soever you pass,
hey down, &c.

The second oath that you here must take,
derry derry down,
All the dayes of your liues,
You neber shall tempt Maids to sin,
nor lye With other mens Wives.
hey down, &c.

The last oath you shall take, it is this,
derry derry down,
Be charitable to the poore,
Say, you have met with a holy Fryer,
and I desire no more,
hey down, &c.

He set them on their horses again,
derry derry down,
And away then they did ride,
And he return'd to the merry græn-wood,
with great joy, mirth, and pride,
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hey down: &c.

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Robin Hoods Garland.

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derry derry down ,
And away then they did ride ,
And he return'd to the merry green-wood ,
with great joy , mirth , and pride ,
hey down derry derry down .*

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Robin

Robin Hood's Chase

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A merry Progress, between
King Henry. Shewing how
the King his Chale, from London to London,
and when hee had taken his leave of the
Queen: hee returned to merry Sheerwood.

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Come you gallants
with me to the chase
that now I will sing, of Henry the
for a song I will sing, of Henry the
how he did Robin Hood chase.

Queen Katherine she then a match did make,
with a hey, &c.
as played with arrows
for three hundred Tun of gold
and three hundred Tun of silver

But yet she had her Archers to seek,
with a hey, &c.
with their bows and arrows
But her mind it was bent, with a hey, &c.
to send for Robin Hood.

But when bold Rob. Hood he came there,
with a hey, &c.

Queen

Robyn Hood's Galland.

Quen Katherine she did say
Thou art welcom to my hall
and all the women say
For a match of Shooting I have made,
with a hey,
and thou my part must be.

If I miss the mark he is light of hand,
then hanged I will be.

But when the Game it came to be played,
bold Robin then drew nigh
with his mantle of black,
and the King did him grace.

And when the game it ended was,
bold Robin won it with grace.
But after the King, who was angry with him,
he could not come in thence.

What though his pardon granted was,
while he with them did stay,
But yet the King was wroth at him,
when he saw that he was away.

Soon after the King from the Court did hee
and

Robin Hood's Garland.

with hey down, &c.
in a furious angry mood,
And often enquire both farre and nêr
after bold Robin Hood.

But when the King to Nottingham came
with hey down, &c.
bold Robin was in the Wood,
O come now said he, and let me see,
who can find me bold Robin Hood.

But when that bold Robin Hood he did hear,
with hey, &c.
the King had him in chase;
Then said little Iohn, tis time to be gone,
and go to some other place.

Then away they went from merry Sherwood
with hey, &c.
and into Yorkshire he did hie,
And the King did follow with a hoop & a hol-
but could not come him nigh. (low

Yet jolly Robin he passed along,
with hey, &c.
he straight to Newcastle Town,
And there stayed he, hours two or three,
and then he for Barwick was gone,

When

Robin Hoods Garland.

When the King he did see, how Robin did flee
with hey, &c.

he was vexed wondrous sore,
With a hoop & a halloo, he bowed to follow,
and take him, and never gibe oze.

Come now let's away, then cry'd little Iohn
with hey, &c.

let any man follow that dare,
To Carlile we'l hie, with our Company,
and so then to Lancaster.

From Lancaster then to Chester they went,
with hey &c.

and so did good King Henry.

But Robin away, for he durst not stay,
for fear of some treachery.

Says Robin, come let us to London go,
with hey down, &c.

to see our noble Queens face,

It may be she wants our company,

which makes the King so us chase.

When Robin he came Queen Katherin before
with a hey down, &c.

he fell upon his knee,

(place,

If it please your grace, I am come to this
for to speak with King Henry.

Robin Hood's Garland

When Gildenore heard the news that Robin Hood
with a hey, &c.

the King is gone to the north
And when he heard of it, he was so wroth
he would go to Robin Hood and slay him

Then came Roy to the greenwood
with a hey, &c.

For to Sherwood, I will him pass
For I have heard that he is there
if I could but meet him in the forest

But when he came to the wood
with a hey, &c.

full weary and sore
But when he was here, he saw a man
he blamed Dame Maudlin and her

You are welcome here, my dear
with hey down, &c.

Henry my Sovereign King
Bold Robin Hood that I have seen
your name I have heard of

When King Henry had heard
with hey down, &c.

that Robin had been hurt
This was because he was a cunning man
for I have sought him in the forest

Robin Hood & Garland

I hope a boy, Queen Katherine
 with a hey, &c. I beg it here on my knee,
 To pardon his life, and so endeth Robin Hood's

Little John and the four Beggars
 A new merry Song of Robin Hood and little
 John, Shewing how Little John went a Beg-
 ging, and how he fought with four Beg-
 gers, and what a prize he got from these
 Beggars.

To the Tune of Robin Hood and the Beggars

All you that delight to spend some time,
 With a hey down, down, down
 I metty Song for to sing,
 Unto me draw near, and you shall hear
 how Little John went a Begging.

As Robin Hood walkt the Forrest along,
 with a hey, &c.
 And all his Peomahore,
 Saies Robin, some of you must a Begging go,
 and little John it must be he.

Saies John, if I must a beggeng go,
 with a hey, &c.
 I will have a palmer's

R bin Hoods Garland.

With a staff and a coat, and bags of all sort,
the better then I shall spee.

Come giue me now a bag for my bread,
with a hey &c.

And another for my cheese,
And one for a penny, when I get any,
that nothing I may leese,

Now Little John, he is a begging gone,
with a hey, &c.

Seeking for some releif,
But of all the Beggers he met on the way,
Little Iohn he was the chief.

But as he was walking himself alone,
with a hey, &c

Four Beggers he chanced to spy, (behind
Some deaf, and some blind, and some came
sayes Iohn, here's brave company.

Good morrow (said Iohn) my brethren dear,
with a hey, &c.

Good fortune I had you to see,
Which way do you go? pray let me know,
for I want some company.

O what is here to do? then said Little Iohn,
with a hey, &c.

Will he

Robin Hood's Garland.

Why rings all these Bells said he,
What dog is hanging? come let's be gang-
that we the truth may see. (ing

Here is no dog a hanging, then one of them
with a hey, &c. (said

Good fellow I tell unto thee,
But here is one dead, will give us cheese and
and it may be one single Penny. (bread

We have brethren in London, another said,
with a hey down, &c.

So have we in Coventry,
In Berwick and Dover, and all the world over
but nere a crookt Carle like thee.

Therefore stand thee back thou crooked carl
with a hey, &c.

And take that knock on the crown,
Nay, said little John, I'll not yet be gone,
for a bout will I have with you round,

Now have at you all, then said little John,
with a hey, &c.

If you be so full of your blows,
Fight on all four, and never give oze,
whether you be friends or foes.

John nipped the dumb, and made him to roar
with

Robin Hood's Garland

But when to the forrest of Sherwood he
with a hey, (came)
A merry company of bold men
Little John and his companions
and all his companions
Keepers in Sherwood

To the tune of, Robin Hood and Queen Kate
What news of the forrest, than said Robin

with a hey, (Hood)
There is some talk of a new
Come little John tell unto me
How hath thou spent with the beggars
for that I would say
I will tell you of a new

No news but good said little John,
Little John and his companions

With begging full well I have sped
Three hundred & three I have here
in silver and gold for me
The many a time

Then Robin Hood took little John by the
with a hey, (Hood)

And danced a bout the Oak
If we drink water while the day lasts
then an ill day it will be
The many a time

So to conclude my merry new song
with a hey, (Hood)

All you that delight to sing
Tis of Robin Hood, that Archer good
and how little John went a begging
The many a time

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Robin Hoods Garland.

Robin Hoods Delight : Or,

A merry Combat fought between *Robin Hood,*
Little John, and *Wil. Scarlet.* and three stout
Keepers in *Sheerwood Forreſt.*

To the Tune of, *Robin Hood* and *Queen Kai-
rine :* Or, *Robin Hood* and the Shepherd.

There is ſome will talk of *Lords* and
down a down, a down, (Knights
And ſome of *Peoman* good :
But I will tell you of *Wil. Scarlet,*
Little John, and *Robin Hood,* &c.

They were *Out-laws,* as it is well known,
down a down, &c.

And men of a noble *Blood :*
And many a time was their valour ſhown
In the *Forreſt* of merry *Seerwood.* &c.

Upon a time it chanced ſo,
down a down, &c.
As *Robin* would have it be,
They all three would a walking go,
ſome paſſtime for to ſee, &c.

And as they walked the *Forreſt* along,
down a down, &c.

Upon a *Mid-ſummer* day,
There was he aware of three *Forreſters.*
Clad all in *Green* aray, &c.

With

Robin Hoods Garland.

With brave long fauchions by their side,
down a down, &c.

And Forrests Bils in hand,
They call'd aloud to those Out-laws,
And charged them to stand, &c.

Why who are you, cry'd bold Robin,
down a, &c.

That speaks so boldly here?
We thre belong to King Henry,
And are Keepers of his Deer, &c.

The devil thou art, said Robin Hood,
down a &c.

I am sure it is not so:
We be the Keepers of this Forrest,
And that you soon shall know, &c.

Come your Coats of Green lay on th' ground
down a &c.

And so will we all thre,
And take your Swords & Bucklers round,
And try the victoꝝ, &c.

We be content the Keepers sayd,
down a &c.

We be thre and you no less:
Then why should we be of you afraid,
And we never did transgress, &c.

Why if you be thre Keepers in this Forrest
down a &c.

Then

Robyn Hood's Garland.

Then we be thre ^{And we will make you to know before we go}
And we will make you to know before we go
You met with hard ^{And we will make you to know before we go}
We be content ^{And we will make you to know before we go}
down a down, &c.

Our batout here to try, ^{And we will make you to know before we go}
And we will make you to know before we go
We will fight before we go
Then come ^{And we will make you to know before we go}
down a down, &c.

And no longer than to praye
But let us try it out with blowes
For Cowards we do hate
Here is one of us
down a down &c.

And another for little John,
And I my self for Robyn Hood
Because he is stout and hard
So they fell to it full hard
down a down, &c.

It was on a Mid-Summers day
From eight a clock till two and past
They all shewed gallant play
There Robyn and Will
down a down, &c.
They fought most manfully
Till all their wind was spent
Then

Robin Hoods Garland.

Robin Hood's Garland.
 Then Robin aloud did cry,
 "Nowob & nowob"

Hold, hold, the hammer on hold Robert
down and on the foot am still on the end

I see you be disappointed and blow out right on
Let me blow one blast on my beangle horn ;

That Bargain is to make² both Robt. Wood,

down a down &c. - The 3rd and 4th are the
Therefore we have,

Though a blast upon the beautiful plain;
Cannot make us fight nor fly, &c.

Therefore fall on, & else begone
down a &c.

It shall never be said, that we were afraid
Of thee, nor thy People's gay, &c.

If that be so cryes hold Robin, nowob & nowob

Let me but know your name

And in that Forest of merry Sherwood;
I shall extoll your names, &c.

And with our Names one of them said
down a &c.

Robin Hoods Garland.

**We will fight no moze, says bold Robin,
down a down, &c.**

**You be men of valour stout,
Come and go with me to Nottingham,
And there we will fight it out, &c.**

**With a butt of Hack we will bang it out,
down a down, &c.**

**To see who wins the day:
And for the cost make you no doubt,
I have gold and money to pay, &c.**

**And ever hereafter so long as we live,
down a down, &c.**

**We all will Brethren be:
For I love those men with heart and hand,
That will fight and never flee, &c.**

**So away they went to Nottingham,
down a down, &c.**

**With Hack to make amends:
For three days space, they Moline did chase,
And drank themselves good friends,
down a down a down a down.**

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